

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Confirmation No. 8846

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Application No. 10/552,244

Examiner: John E. Uselding

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For: USE OF DISPERSANTS TO IMPROVE THE  
RETENTION OF FLUIDITY OF CONCRETE

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

Under 35 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition herein for a 2-month extension of time, extending the time for response until October 1, 2008. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$230.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) for a small entity for this extension, and the excess claims fee of \$125.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(i) for a small entity. In addition, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional amounts that may be due with this response, or credit any overpayments, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to matter No. 38624-100578.